

# Angie Chen Button

## Biography

Angie Chen Button is currently serving her second term as State Representative. She currently serves on the House Appropriations committee and is the Vice Chair of the Technology Committee. She represents District 112 which includes parts of Richardson and Garland in Dallas County.

Representative Button has worked for Texas Instruments (TI) since 1981 where she promotes American products internationally as a Marketing Manager. She is also a CPA with Masters degrees in Public Finance and Management Sciences.

Before her election to the Texas House in 2008, Rep. Button had a long record of public service and community involvement in the Metroplex. She was a member of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Board and an Executive Committee Member of the Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition (DRMC). She served in leadership positions with chambers of commerce, a citizen coalition, and for other civic and non-profit organizations. She has also been part of the Dallas Assembly, the Dallas Summit, and the Womens Museum Advisory Board.

Representative Button was awarded the YWCAs **100 Years 100 Women Award** -- 2008, the Southern Methodist University Womens Symposiums **Profile in Leadership Award** -- 2006, the Womens Enterprise of Texas Magazine **Women of Excellence Award** -- 2004, and the National Organization of Chinese Americans **Corporate Achievement Award & Grand Community Service Award** -- 2000.

Representative Button was awarded the **2009 Taxpayers' Advocate Award** by Texans for Fiscal Responsibility and the **2009 Champion for Free Enterprise Award** from the Texas Association of Business. She also received the **2009 White Knight Award** from the Texans for Life Coalition and the **2009 Service Award** from the Texas Environmental Health Association. Additionally, the 2009 House Republican Caucus awarded Rep. Button with the **Innovator for Economic Development Award** for her efforts during the 81st legislative session.

Representative Button was born in Taipei, Taiwan in 1954. As a child, her seven person family lived in a 300 square foot, one-room hut without a kitchen or a bathroom. She credits education with bringing her a better life. Rep. Button met her husband Darcy as a graduate student at the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD). They have lived in Richardson and Garland for 30 years. Their son, Dane is an RISD and University of Texas Graduate. Angies life has been the American dream Texas style.

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